

FRIDAY, THE 13TH, LAST THIS YEAR

Next "Hoodoo" Combination Will Be Coming Year in June.

Yesterday's Triple Count "12, 12, '12" Not to Be Repeated For 89 Years.

Beware, this is Friday, the 13th.

But, thank goodness, it is the last "hoodoo" day we'll have this year. Next year only one Friday falls on the unlucky number. It is June 13, 1913.

Yesterday was Dec 12, '12, or written in business form, 12-12-12. No triple set of numerals will be seen again until Jan 1, 2001, which may be written 1-1-1.

Christmas shoppers should take warning and keep their safety clutches tightened on handbags and pocketbooks. On the other hand, kleptomaniacs who are doing their Christmas shoplifting early should make their hands behave today or the jail bells may ring out for them on Christmas morn.

The superstitious dread of the number 13 seems to have spread over the earth. It is said Italians never use it in making up the number for their lotteries; that the 13th card in one of their games bears the figure of death, and that no house in Paris is No. 13.

The Quaterziemes are persons known in Parisian society who hold themselves in readiness to go to any dinner which otherwise would have the fatal 13 at the table.